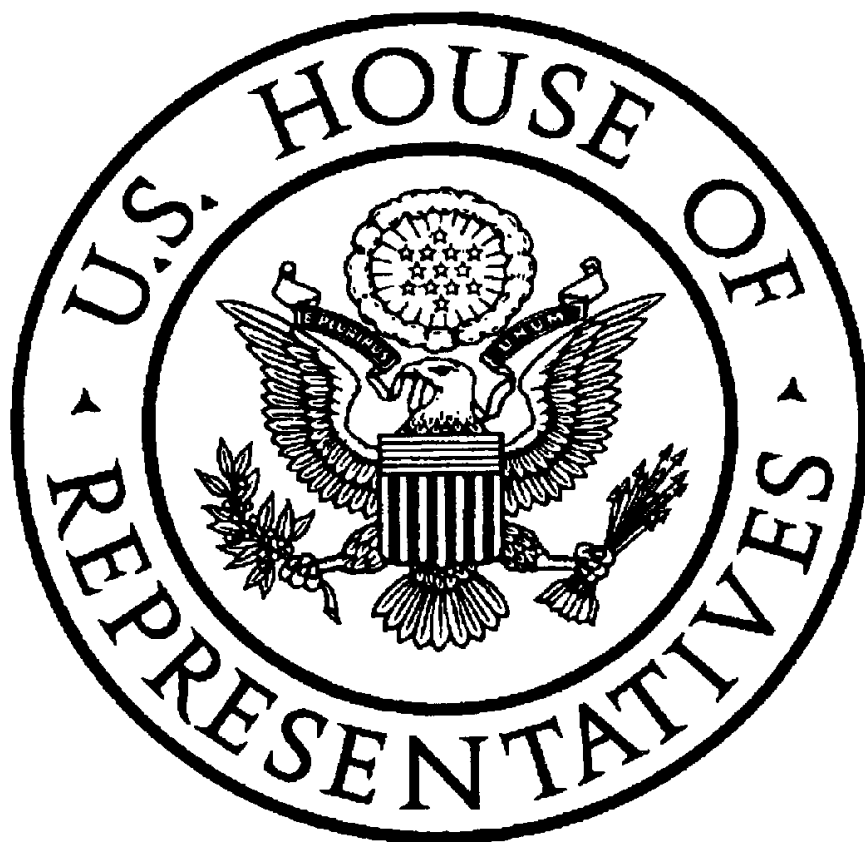


**UNITED STATES SERVICE ACADEMY
NOMINATIONS PACKET
2003**



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INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES
SEEKING NOMINATIONS TO SERVICE ACADEMIES

Individuals seeking nomination to one of the service academies from Congressman Davis, 4th Congressional District of Tennessee, are encouraged to apply in the spring of their junior year. Submit the following information to:

The Honorable Lincoln Davis
Attn: Matt Reel
1804-A Carmack Blvd.
Columbia, TN 38401

- Completed "Application for Nomination to United States Service Academies"
- Copy of birth certificate
- **OFFICIAL** SAT or ACT scores (must be from testing agency itself)
- **OFFICIAL** high school transcript (sent by your guidance office) and college transcript (if applicable)
- Class rank (sent by your guidance office)
- Resume of extracurricular activities. It is very important to be thorough and include all information for each year in high school. Include both school related and outside activities; note leadership positions held, Athletic activities; note varsity letters earned and leadership positions held, scholastic honors, list any part-time or full-time jobs you have held since you have been in high school.
- Recent photograph
- Personal statement addressed to Congressman Davis stating what motivates him or her to attend a United States Service Academy.
- **Maximum** of three letters of recommendation (one must be from a school official)
- Academy to which you are seeking admission (**Note: if you have not already applied, you must submit an application to the academy of your choice.**)

You will find the necessary materials enclosed to complete the application process:

- Nomination process information sheet
- General Academy Information
- Application
- School Official recommendation form

THE DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING NOMINATION FROM THIS OFFICE IS OCTOBER 1, 2003.

THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLETING YOUR FILE IN THIS OFFICE IS NOVEMBER 1, 2003.

NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED UNLESS YOU HAVE OPENED A FILE WITH THE ACADEMIES TO WHICH YOU ARE SEEKING NOMINATION.

APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION TO THE UNITED STATES SERVICE ACADEMIES

Name (Last/First/Middle)		Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)		Social Security #	
Permanent Mailing Address (Street, Apt. No., City, County, State, Zip)				Telephone #	
Temporary Mailing Address (if applicable)				Telephone #	
Place of Birth		Sex (M/F)	Age	Height	Weight
Father or Guardian				Daytime Telephone #	
Mother or Guardian				Daytime Telephone #	
High School/Address		Graduation Date		Telephone #	
Grade Point Average		Class Rank / number of students			
Unweighted =		Weighted =		/	
SAT Score		Test Date:		ACT Score	
Verbal =		Math =		English =	
Math =					
College Currently Attending (if applicable)			College GPA		
Are you a U. S. citizen?			Are you presently in the military?		
How long have you been a resident of Tennessee?			Are either of your parents active, retired, or disabled military?		
Indicate academy preference with 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th choices. (Indicate N for not interested)					
West Point		Naval Academy		Air Force Academy	
				Merchant Marine Academy	

I certify that the above information is correct. It is my sincere desire to attend a U.S. Service Academy; I am a U.S. citizen, at least 17 but not yet 23 years of age; unmarried; not pregnant; have no legal obligation to support any children or other dependents; and legally reside in Tennessee's 4th Congressional District.

I understand that the deadline to request nomination is October 1, 2003; that the deadline for receipt of completed nomination application packet is November 1, 2003; and that if I have not submitted all requested information before these deadlines that my application may not be given full consideration.

Signature _____ Date _____

Mail to: Congressman Lincoln Davis
1804 Carmack Blvd. Suite A
Columbia, TN 38401

General Academy Nomination Information

Academy Contact Information

U.S. Air Force Academy

Director of Admissions
Colorado Spring, Colorado 80840
(800) 443-9266
www.academyadmissions.com

U.S. Naval Academy

Director of Candidate Guidance
Annapolis, Maryland 21402
(800) 638-9156
www.nadn.navy.mil

U.S. Military Academy

Director of Admissions
West Point, New York 10996
(800) 638-9156
www.usma.edu

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

Admissions Office
Kings Point, New York 11024
(800) 732-6267
www.usmma.edu

There are no Congressional nominations to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. To obtain information or applications contact them at: U.S. Coast Guard Academy
New London, Connecticut 06320
(203) 444-6267
www.cga.edu

Eligibility

Nominees to the service academies must be United States citizens and applicants to Congressman Davis' office must be permanent residents of Tennessee' 4th Congressional District. Candidates must be at least 17 years old and not 23 years old by July 1 of the year of admission. Candidates must be unmarried, not pregnant, and have no legal obligation to support any dependents. These stipulations have been established by the service academies.

Prior to applying for a nomination, each candidate must contact the academies directly to request a Pre-Candidate Questionnaire. Upon the completion and return of this form to the academy, you will be informed of academy requirements, such as medical examinations and physical aptitude tests. It is also recommended that each candidate attempt to visit the academies to meet with admissions representatives, talk to cadets and view the facilities.

DODMERB

All academies require you pass a Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board (DODMERB). Candidates who meet the minimum scholastic standards will be scheduled to take a service academy qualifying medical examination. The academy to which you have applied will initiate the scheduling of the exam; once taken the results may be used for all service academies. Candidates who have questions about their medical exam results should direct them to: DODMERB
8034 Edgerton Drive, Suite 132
USAF Academy, CO 80840-2200
(719) 333-3562

Medical Scheduling and evaluation are time-consuming processes, especially if consultation, retesting, or corrective action is required. The process may take from six weeks to four month's.

Method of Nomination

The law pertaining to congressional nominations stipulates that each Member of Congress is allowed a maximum of five "charges" at each academy in any given year (Merchant Marine is an exception). When a "charge" graduates, a vacancy is created that the member may fill. Each member nominates a slate of ten (10) candidates for each vacancy. Congressman Davis uses a "competitive" form of nomination. Using this method, the Member of Congress submits to the academy an unranked list nominees for each vacancy. The academy then reviews the list and selects the most fully qualified candidate. This candidate becomes the member's "charge". The remaining nominees are then considered and may also be offered appointments, but they will not be the member's "charge".

Due to the competitiveness of the selection process, it is strongly recommended that each candidate apply to both U.S. Senators, their U.S. Representative and the Vice President.

If an applicant has a parent who is an active or retired military person, a disabled or deceased veteran, a POW/MIA, or a Medal of Honor winner, the candidate may be able to apply for a Presidential or other form of nomination. For further information, please refer to the academy catalog or speak to an admissions representative or liaison officer.

Additional Information

- Congressional nomination does not guarantee acceptance to the service academies, but only assures that your application will be considered first by the review boards. Your application to each academy that you are considering should be completed during or before the first semester of your senior year.
- Academically, the majority of students accepted to the academies are in at least the top 20% of their class, with higher than average test scores.
- Most students who receive appointment offers are active at school and in their community and hold leadership roles in sports and other extracurricular activities.
- Don't forget that serving in the military means that you may be faced with the possibility of a combat situation. If you are just looking for a great education and great job skills, apply to a college or university. If at anytime you are uncomfortable about the military commitment, you are free to back out of the process at anytime.